

**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN
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Docket No.: S63.2B-11303-US01

Title of Invention: Stent with Nested Flexible Connectors for Flexibility and Crimpability

As the below named inventor(s), I/We declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☒ The attached application, or
- ☐ Application No. Not Assigned, filed on Not Assigned,
- ☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

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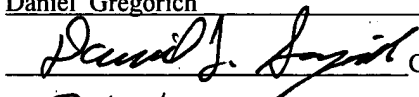
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as assignee of the entire interest of the above identified patent application, hereby appoints all practitioners of **Customer No. 490** to insert the docket no., filing date and application number of said application above when known; to prosecute this application and any application claiming priority therefrom; to execute any terminal disclaimers on behalf of assignee; and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and I hereby authorize them to act and rely on instructions from, and to communicate directly with, the firm or person which sent this case to VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS unless or until I instruct VIDAS, ARRETT & STEINKRAUS in writing to the contrary.

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ASSIGNEE'S STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP 37 CFR 3.73(B)

SciMed Life Systems, Inc., a Minnesota corporation is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor of the patent application identified above.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this statement of ownership certificate on behalf of the assignee.

Respectfully submitted,

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